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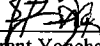
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RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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Sir:

This paper is in response to the Office Action mailed August 10, 2006. This response is being filed on or before October 10, 2006, thus making it a timely response. While Applicants believe that no additional fees are due at this time, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees, including extension fees or any other relief that may be required, in connection with this reply to Deposit Account 50-2319 (Order No.: 463037-00217; File No.: A-68718-2).

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